

REMARKS

The application includes claims 56-58, 60-65, 67-72, 74-79, and 81-85 prior to entering this amendment. The Examiner rejected claims 56-58, 60-65, 67-72, and 74-76 under 35 U.S.C. § 101, alleging that the claims are directed to non-statutory matter. Applicant amends claims 56, 63-65, and 67-69, and cancels claims 70-72, 74-76, and 84. Claims 56-58, 60-65, 67-69, 77-79, 81-83, and 85 remain in the application after entering this amendment. Applicant adds no new matter and respectfully requests reconsideration.

Allowable Subject-Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner allowing claims 77-79, 81-83, and 85, and indicating the subject-matter of the remaining claims will be allowed once the instant rejection is overcome.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §101

The Examiner rejected claims 56-58, 60-65, 67-72, and 74-76 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 alleging that the claims are directed to non-statutory matter. Applicants have amended claims 56 and 63, which obviates the Examiner's rejection to claims 56-58, 60-65, and 67-69. To expedite prosecution, Applicants have elected to cancel claims 70-72, 74-76, and 84, which obviates the Examiner's rejection to claims 70-72 and 74-76.

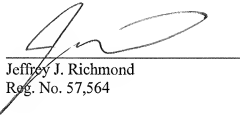
CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of all claims. Applicant encourages the Examiner to telephone the undersigned if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

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